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KWANGTUNG AND NORTHEAST STRUGGLE  
AGAINST CORRUPTION AMONG OFFICIALS

CHARGES CORRUPTION RIFE IN KWANGTUNG -- Hong Kong Shih-pao, 25 Jul 50

Communist authorities in Kwangtung have issued strict orders to local officials for punishing embezzlers and preventing further infractions of the laws against corruption.

The orders reveal that corruption continues rampant among provincial officialdom. Guilty parties are named and amounts involved are stipulated. More than ten cases are cited from the three Hsi Chiang hsien of Yü-nan, Yün-fou, and Kwang-ning, which resulted in a loss of more than 100,000 catties of grain. In Kwang-ning, the storekeeper got away with 15,000 catties of grain; in Yün-fou, the storekeeper covered a 50-percent shortage by false entries; in Yü-nan, 500,000 yuan was used for repair of government offices, and several tens of thousands of catties of grain for building a theater, without permission of superiors. In Chung-shan, careless handling of funds resulted in a loss of more than 50 million yuan to the government. Communist authorities have issued orders for strict supervision and accounting, in an effort to control the corruption which has been rife since they entered the province a year ago.

Many instances are given in the Nan-fang Jih-pao, the CCP official organ. Fourteen cases are reported from Hsin-feng, in the Pei Chiang area, involving 25 guilty persons and 1,144 piculs of grain. Only two of the offenders, Wen Tse-ming and Huang Ching, were prosecuted. Li Ch'eng-chih, storekeeper at Li-ch'i, stole 60,080 catties.

In the same hsien, T'ang Ta-fa got away with 61 drums of kerosene, and 200 catties of brown sugar, while other collectors and storekeepers were short thousands of catties of grain.

In other towns of the Pei Chiang area, such as Nan-hsiung, Lo-ch'ang, and Ch'ing-yuan, embezzlement in banks and tax offices has amounted to millions of yuan.

In the Tung Chiang area, a corrupt minor official, Ch'en Ch'ing, stole 90 piculs of grain and absconded to Hong Kong. At other places in this area officials have sold public grain and arms and disappeared with the proceeds, resulting in the loss to the government of millions of yuan.

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COMMUNISTS URGE SELF-FORM OF OFFICIALS -- Hong Kong Shih-pao, 27 Jul 50

Communist authorities in Kwangtung have already initiated "self-reform" movements. A meeting for this purpose was held recently by several hundred persons. "Self-reform" movements center around the themes of "bureaucratism," "proclivity to giving orders," "individualism," and "a Party-member's relationship inside and outside the Party."

REVEALS CORRUPTION IN CHANG-CHUN SCIENCE INSTITUTE -- Mukden Tung-pei Jih-pao, 23 Jul 50

A report released by the people's court of Chang-chun reveals that there have been numerous cases of corruption in the Northeast Science Institute located at Chang-chun. The leadership has been notoriously lax in handling these cases and the government has taken great losses as a result. Over 15 cases of such corruption have occurred during the last several months involving the peculation of government funds in various ways to the total of 560,370,000 yuan North Chinese Currency. Of this amount, nearly 300 million was recovered by the police from one individual who had absconded with 500 million yuan paid to the institute as an advance on a contract for hypodermic equipment.

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